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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner For Patents P O Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to a non-final Office Action dated January 12, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begins on page 5 of this paper.